



# Summer Village of Val Quentin Council Policy

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## Purpose

The Summer Village of Val Quentin is committed to delivering cost-effective services that best meet the needs of our taxpayers and community. The purpose of this policy is to establish the winter snow and ice control standards in order to provide a safe and reliable transportation network throughout the Summer Village while protecting the environment and providing excellent customer service.

The Policy will also establish windrow removal standards during the winter months for both seasonal and permanent-use properties.

## Policy Statement

The Summer Village of Val Quentin will work collaboratively with the Contractor to provide residents with snow, ice and windrow-removal services in the Summer Village during the winter season.

## Responsibilities

### Summer Village:

Annually, it is the responsibility of the Summer Village of Val Quentin Council to work with a Snow Removal Company to provide snow removal, ice control and windrow removal services as noted further in this document.

### Snow Removal Contractor:

At the contractor's discretion, snow from roads, turnarounds and "t" areas will be moved to the ditches, reserve areas, and dead ends where possible.

One driveway windrow from each residential lot will be cleared. Where there is more than one driveway entrance, only one driveway windrow will be removed based on the discretion of the snow removal Contractor.



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## Residents:

Residents are to push the snow from their driveways onto their own properties, not onto the municipal road.

## Standards:

1. Snow removal contractor is to be engaged by the Summer Village where there has been 10 cm (4 inches) of snow accumulation or at the discretion of the Summer Village.
2. The target will be to plow the roads within 48 hours of the end of a snowfall or at the discretion of the Summer Village.
3. Ice control will consist of sanding of the roads and will be provided during freezing rain or other events that require traction control as identified by the Chief Administrative Officer, snow removal contractor, or upon response to issues identified by members of the public.
4. Windrow snow removal driveway width not to exceed 6 meters (20 feet).
5. In the event of an extreme snowfall, windrow removal will not be considered a priority.

## Service Levels:

1. Service levels may be impacted by the following:
  - a. Available resources
  - b. Council approved budget
  - c. Equipment failures/maintenance
  - d. Weather conditions
2. The Summer Village will make necessary adjustments to service levels when the noted limitations are encountered.



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## Windrows:

Unless otherwise indicated, with signage, by the property owner, the windrows will be cleared of snow on all driveways on a regular basis coinciding with the snow plowing the road.

Windrow removal service will be provided only when the windrow is an accumulated height of 6 inches or greater. No windrow removal service will be provided to residents who push snow from their driveways into the windrow for removal by the Village.

The intent of the windrow removal service is to knock down the windrow and allow for vehicle passage.

It is not the intent of the program to provide full clearing and cleaning of the entire width of a driveway, from edge to edge. Approximately 1-2" of snow will be left to avoid damage to driveway entrances.

## Procedure:

Windrows will only be removed from the edge of the roadway inwards to a maximum of 4 feet and a maximum length of 20 feet. Property owners with rear entrances will need to post signage indicating that they want the driveway entrance cleared. Under no circumstance will the plow operator enter private property to clear windrows.

This practice is not only unsafe but costs our village additional money to keep our roads clear and safe.

## Legal References:

## Cross References:

## Revisions: